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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, SF, WA
SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: SOUTH AFRICAN ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED
TALKS IN NEW YORK

REF: USUN 5850

1. INFORMATION REFTEL WHICH EMBASSY RECEIVED 2100 LOCAL 30
DECEMBER GIVEN TO PRESIDENT NYERERE'S ACTING PRIVATE SECRETARY
DABALA WHO I SAW ON ANOTHER MATTER MORNING 31 DECEMBER. ON
BEHALF WESTERN FIVE COLLEAGUES, I SAID SOUTH AFRICAN DECISION TO
ATTEND NEW YORK TALKS MAKES IT EVEN MORE IMPORTANT TO
ENCOURAGE SWAPO TO PARTICIPATE FOR REASONS GIVEN TANGOV 30
DECEMBER BY BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER BROWN ON BEHALF WESTERN
FIVE PER USUN 5837. DABALA SAID HE WOULD TRANSMIT MESSAGE TO
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PRESIDENT NYERERE WHO IS VACATIONING IN HIS NATIVE VILLAGE OF
BUTIAMA.

2. DECEMBER 31 LOCAL PRESS HAS FRONT-PAGE STORY REPORTING
SOUTH AFRICA FORNMIN BOTHA'S STATEMENT THAT SAG WILL ATTEND
NEW YORK TALKS. ARTICLE, DATELINED PRETORIA, OBSERVES THAT
"SWAPO DEMAND THAT SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS BE WITHDRAWN FROM

THE TERRITORY BEFORE PRE-INDEPENDENCE ELECTIONS ARE HELD IS A MAJOR STUMBLING BLOCK IN THE INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS", AND FURTHER STATES THAT "REPORTS FROM NEW YORK" SAY "IT WAS HOPED TO BRING THE SOUTH AFRICAN REGIME AND SWAPO MILITANTS FACE-TO-FACE ACROSS THE NEGOTIATING TABLE." IN MY MEETING WITH DABALA, I RESTATED POINT THAT TALKS DESIGNED TO BE CONCURRENT BUT SEPARATE.

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